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ADULTERATED FOOD.

The Retail Grocers' Association of San Francisco had a very interesting meeting two or three nights ago, and some of its developments and resolutions are worthy of general attention. The subject which engaged the attention of the meeting was the pure food law, and the grocers were not entirely pleased with its operation. They are as anxious as anybody, they say, that the people shall eat only pure food, but they call attention, and with much appearance of justice, to the fact that the law affects only retail grocers, and does not apply to wholesalers.

We have not seen the law under discussion, but if the charge made against it in the San Francisco meeting is true, it must be admitted that the objection made to it by the retailers is well founded. A pure food law should not enjoy the advantages of water comparison to the extent which Stockton does, and the competing road would be an important acquisition.

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WITH a man of ex-President Harrison's conservatism and sound judgment recognized that new laws are needed for the government and control of corporations, it may safely be taken for granted that the demand for such laws has passed the stage when it could be termed the mouthing of agitators and extremists. And Mr. Harrison's recent address before the Ann Arbor students was very largely devoted to emphasizing this proposition. For instance, he said:

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FROM SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS. Come Praises of Smith's Danduff Pomade—A Letter. SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Jan. 16, 1897. Smith Bros., Fresno Cal.: Dear Sirs: Enclosed please find M. O. Lewis' letter to you, and I hope you will find it to your taste. Mr. Michaelson has told me that the letter is in fact a lie. He is a walking testimony to the beneficial effects, as he has quite a growth of new hair where the imbeciles had made a play ground of his top piece.

Yours truly, C. L. WYLER.

This ungrateful indomitable facsimile letter from Mr. C. L. Wyler is but one of thousands of other letters sent me.

We are much gratified with the acknowledgments and expressions of praise the great discovery, Smith's Danduff Pomade, is daily receiving from prominent men and women everywhere.

These sights are now common to us as anything to me.

When the angels sing in my sin counts,

LITTLE MORAL LESSONS FOR WILLIE. (Based on more or less observations.) Once upon a time, Willie, there was a little boy who was a very bad little boy. He stole Farmer Wayback's melons, and he fought with other little boys, and he gave snuff to the kitty, and he painted his little sister's duly red, white and blue. He was a very bad little boy, indeed, and all the good men in the neighborhood used to shake their heads and say, "That boy will go to the devil sure." Did he go to hell? I cannot say, but all the good people sent him to the kingdom of Nazareth, and the angels gave up the people sent him to the kingdom of heaven. How we do still strain at gnats, to be sure.

There is no greater sacred hall than "My All Countries," and it is the interest of most of us that its author, Mr. G. L. Wyler, is well known throughout the land. Los Angeles, Los Angeles. She sleeps, but her son lives in the hearts of many who will believe that ere now she has learned that her faith was justifiable when she wrote,

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There was a little boy whose father said, "I wish you'd be taught to work. So the old gentleman made his dear little son milk the cows and feed the hens and carry the horses and chop the wood and hoe the potatoe and do several other things that I forget just now." And after the little boy grew up, he was called "Tired Willie" and he never worked any more, for he said he had done his duty when he was a kid. Read this little anecdote to your papa, Willie, and then don't say another word.

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There was another little boy who studied hard in his books and learned his lessons, and after a while he graduated. Then he said to the World, "I will do something." And the World said to him, "What will you do?" And the boy said, "Oh, you tell me nothing for, I already know the wisdom of many books is mine." And when the years had passed, the boy learned that the World was right and that the World is the great and necessary teacher. But his life already was half gone when he had learned this essential truth.

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BUSINESS MEN'S CLUB

Steps Taken to Organize in This City.

A PRELIMINARY MEETING HELD

The Setting Up of Club Rooms Proposed—Success of the Movement Assured.

Stops were taken at a meeting held in the parlors of the Hughes hotel last evening to form a business men's club in this city, similar to the Bohemian in San Francisco and the Yacht club in Stockton. The fact that such a movement was on foot has already been mentioned in the Republican. Of course Fresno's organization will not be on a scale as those in the larger cities where business men are numerous and better able to sustain such an organization.

The local club will be managed on the same lines, however, and its purpose will be identical. The large attendance at last evening's meeting and the enthusiasm displayed are guarantees that the club will be a success. The representatives business and professional men of all sorts were present.

J. J. Seymour was elected temporary chairman of the meeting and Louis H. Smith secretary. A general discussion was had on the formation of the club, and the following committees were appointed to proceed with matters pertaining to its organization: George P. Church, Alfred Kutter and Louis H. Smith; on club room, A. G. Garsland, H. O. B. Gil, H. E. Gray; on membership, G. H. Emmons, John McMullan, A. Neighouse, Dr. J. D. Davidson and D. D. Allison.

Another meeting will be held on Monday evening, April 10th, at which time the reports of these committees will be heard, and the permanent organization of the club effected.

The purpose is to establish club rooms where the business man can meet on terms of sociability and for recreation. At suitable evenings could be spent in profitable and pleasant manner. The rooms would be fitted up with billiard and pool tables, card tables, and plenty of good reading matter would be supplied. The place would be nicely furnished, with a view to convenience and comfort.

Here also would be a place where a young man who has no home could take a room visiting the city and properly entertain him. Such a young man to a rooftop yourself. It is most difficult to do to entertain a friend in the city of evening. If there is no theater, there is no place to take him, and the best you can do is to lead your guest on a stroll around the streets. If we carry on this movement for a club, we shall then have a place where one can take his visitor and entertain him in good style."

The club rooms would undoubtedly be very popular during the summer months, and furnish by to the coast to escape the heat. The "babies" who remain at home would then have a place to spend their evenings.

It has been proposed for the club to lease the second floor of Dunahoe, Emmons & Co.'s proposed building on I street. The whole floor would be divided into four or five apartments. The room would be used as a grill room, night club, conducted by the club and the could spend the noon hour there.

These matters are all being considered by those who are interested in the organization.

GROSS ERRORS

Made in the Democratic Certificate of Nomination.

An examination of the Democratic certificate of nomination shows that that document was seen over very carefully.

The error in giving Kle's name as J. A. Kle instead of John A. Kle, as it appears in the Popular certificate, has already been pointed out. The name of Theodore Madison, confusing candidate for city clerk, appears in the Democratic certificate as Madison. In the Popular certificate it is correctly spelled.

Other errors in the Democratic certificate are as follows:

The name of W. H. McKinzie, Democratic candidate for city treasurer, is given as W. H. McKinzie. L. O. Stevens, candidate for school trustee, is put down as L. O. Stevens. There is no excuse for such carelessness, and if the party had an intelligent and attentive city committee such errors would not occur. The candidates with whom names such liberties have been taken, have their names put on the ballot as they appear in the certificate of nomination.

BARTA WILL GO HOME.

Griffith's Other Immigrants Are Seeking Employment.

Al Baker of the Pleasanton hotel has advanced money to Frank Barta, one of the five men brought here by S. N. Griffith from Chicago, to pay his fare home. Barta is in a sickly condition and to have a wife and four children in delicate circumstances in that city. Mr. Barta was overjoyed at the kind words shown him by the hotel proprietor.

The other four men, for whom also Mr. Griffith failed to get employment, he had promised to do, are industriously seeking work. E. F. Barnard and other members of the Hundred Thousand Club are interesting themselves in the welfare of those stranded men and are trying to find work for them.

A PLEASANT SOCIAL.

Given Last Evening by Young Christian Endeavorers.

The Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor of the Congregational church gave a social last evening, which was well attended and a very pleasant affair. The following program was rendered: Mandolin solo, Miss Florence Clapp; vocal duet, Miss Beeler and Frank Hart; violin and piano duet, Professor Schwarz and Miss Roberta; vocal solo, Mrs. E. M. Dryden.

The remainder of the evening was spent in playing games, and refreshments were served.

A Little Tourist.

Noble C. Smith, the 11-year-old son of M. H. Smith of Lone Star, arrived Sunday via the Santa Fe route from Fort Scott, Kansas, making the trip all alone.

Money back if you don't like Schilling's Best.

Tea and money at your grocer's.

A SCHILLING & CO., SAN FRANCISCO.

MR. HOBBES RETURNS.
He Isn't Very Hopeful for the Rail-sis Business.

A. L. Hobbs of the Hobbs-Parsons Company, has returned from a tour of the East and a visit to his former home in Maine. The purpose of the trip was to make a personal observation of the rail market and gain ideas as to the outlook for the coming season. Mr. Hobbs does not take as bright a view of the prospects as do others.

At the present time the markets are very quiet, and it would be the poor time of the year for Mr. Hobbs to make his investigations. He says that the business center will still be decked with mists. Mr. Hobbs considers that the middle station will furnish the best market for the product, the eastern being subject to foreign competition.

A Pleasant Party.

The friends of T. W. Simpson and family gathered at the Simpson home Wednesday, the 24th inst., and after the usual greetings and congratulations the young people amused themselves in the various ways common on such occasions. The following persons were present: Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Simpson, Mrs. Hobson, Mrs. Annie Winnes, Mrs. Anna Simpson; Misses Link, Nellie, Celia, Anna Hobson, Jack Wilson, Bert Cullenger, S. W. Hill, Tyler, Harry Tyler, Al Stein, Guy Rosenberger, Max Lester, Foster, Robert Walten, Bert Wilson, William Hill, Thomas Briscoe, Charlie Marlowe, Charles Simpson of Sonoma, Andrew Nelson, John Simpson, Paris Simpson, Thomas Simpson, Perry Simpson, Charles Simpson, William Simpson, Henry Simpson, Charles Simpson, Ernest Nestor, Mrs. McCloud, Misses Anna, Jessie Wilson, Ella Wilson, Ethel Wilson, William, Ethel Tyler, Ethel Simpson, Lulu Simpson, Pearl Allison, Pearl Fudge, Anna Appling, Sadie Simpson, Emma Hobson, Minnie Faine, Ollie Lester, Hattie Cotton, Susie McNamee, Addie Williams, Della McClosky, Isa McClosky, Elsie Hobson.

Mrs. Wall's Funeral.

The funeral of Mrs. Manita Wall, wife of Wentworth H. Wall of Oakland, and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Saffell of Fresno, was held Thursday afternoon from the residence of her parents. The services were conducted by the Rev. D. H. Gillan, pastor of the K-street Methodist church, with singing by members of the choir. The pall bearers were W. H. Herbert, L. A. Spangler, L. C. Seal, John Vining, Frank Montague of Fresno, and R. F. Wallace of Oakland. Flores offering from friends of Fresno and Oakland decorated the casket and grave of the deceased. The many friends of the family are earnestly thanked for their heartfelt sympathy and help in this hour of trouble which has come to them through the sudden death of a dearly beloved wife, daughter and sister.

IRA D. SANKEY HERE

THE FAMOUS EVANGELIST WILL SING AND PREACH.

Joint Services to be Conducted by Him Tomorrow Afternoon and Evening.

Ira D. Sankey, the evangelist, arrived in Fresno on last evening's train, accompanied by his wife and Mr. and Mrs. Ira D. Sankey, Jr., and is staying at the Hughes hotel. The celebrated evangelist had not intended to leave San Francisco till April 10th, and made engagements in that city for as late as the 4th proximo. The change of purpose was a sudden one, and was not caused by the illness of Mrs. Sankey. Mr. Sankey has also abandoned his intended trip to Oregon and the north.

It was on account of the illness of Mrs. Sankey primarily that the evangelist and his son came to California, in search of a warmer climate. San Francisco did not prove to be conducive to good health, and it was for this reason that the party came south. They contemplated going to Arizona after a few days' stay in the sunnier climes of Fresno.

Tomorrow Mr. Sankey will conduct services in the First United Methodist church in this city. All the other churches will dispense with their regular services and join in Mr. Sankey's meetings, which will be held at 3 o'clock in the afternoon and at 7:30 in the evening. The evangelist will both preach and sing. On Monday afternoon he will participate in the county Sunday school convention.

Mr. Sankey's meetings in this city will undoubtedly be largely attended, as everyone is eager to hear the celebrated evangelist. He is an able speaker, but his son is a singer and dancer with Dwight L. Moody. Moody and Sankey traveled all over the country and conducted meetings together for a number of years and their names are associated as the two most prominent evangelists in the country.

According to current report Russell Sage, the New York capitalist, is visiting Mr. Sankey and party on their present trip with railroad passes. Contrary to public opinion of the man, Mr. Sage does a good act now and then.

Postal Inspectors Visit Fresno.

Chief Postal Inspector R. R. Munro of San Francisco and Inspector M. H. Flint of Los Angeles were in town yesterday on their regular tour of inspection. They conferred with Postmaster Hedrick, and there was some talk of changes in carriers' routes.

Great reduction agents and tireware at Donahoe, Emmons & Co.'s.

Van is Now Mining.

E. S. Van Meter will leave this morning to visit the Herren mine in Anthracite Valley, which he and his brother-in-law have leased for a year. It is also known as the Clark & McKenzies mine. Mr. Van Meter thinks there are some good prospects, the man being at work upon a good piling ledge at present. The history of this mine has been to discover ledges and then have them "pocketed" by miners. Recently Mr. Van Meter's men lost their ledge, but by a stroke of good fortune they located its continuation, on which the miners are now working.

Retiring From Business Sale.

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